

Department of Energy

Richland Operations Office P.O. Box 550 Richland, Washington 99352

May 8, 2014

Certified Mail

Ms. Barbara O'Neill Grant County Public Works 124 Enterprise Street, SE Ephrata, Washington 98823

Dear Ms. O'Neill:

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (FOI 2014-00551)

This letter is in response to the electronic Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking "the original condemnation letter from the United States to Grant County for the roads in Hanford Reach/Wahluke Slope/Saddle Mtns."

In a letter dated February 6, 2014, this office notified you for purposes of assessment of fees, you have been categorized under 10 CFR 1004.9(b)(4), as an "other" requester and in that category you are entitled to two free hours of search time at no cost. In a letter dated February 21, 2014, we notified you that we had exhausted the two hour of search time and provided you with the estimated costs to proceed with your request. On March 22, 2014, we received a voice mail message from you authorizing this office to proceed with the search time as stated in our response to you dated February 21, 2014.

We have conducted a thorough search and the enclosed documents were deemed responsive to your request. Regarding the enclosed letter dated August 29, 1956, we were unable to locate the referenced letter dated August 17, 1956. This search was conducted by those within the agency who are most familiar with the subject matter of your request, in locations where documents would most likely be located. Specifically we searched the files of the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office, Energy and Land Management Program.

The undersigned individual is responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal to the Office of Hearings and Appeals, as provided in 10 CFR 1004.8, for any information denied to you in this letter or for the adequacy of our search. Any such appeal shall be made in writing to the following address: Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals (HG-1), U.S. Department of Energy, L'Enfant Plaza Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20585-1615, and shall be filed within 30 days after receipt of this letter. Should you choose to appeal, please provide this office with a copy of your letter.

Costs associated with your request are as follows:

Search time – 2 hours @ \$34.69/hour (no charge) Search time – 4 hours @ \$34.69/hour Reproduction – 16 pages @ \$.05/page

Total \$ 139.56

Your check of \$139.56 should be made payable to DOE and forwarded to my attention at P.O. Box 550, Richland, Washington, 99352.

Should you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me on (509) 376-6288.

Sincerely,

-Original Signed By-

OCE:DCR

Dorothy Riehle Freedom of Information Act Officer Office of Communications and External Affairs

Enclosures